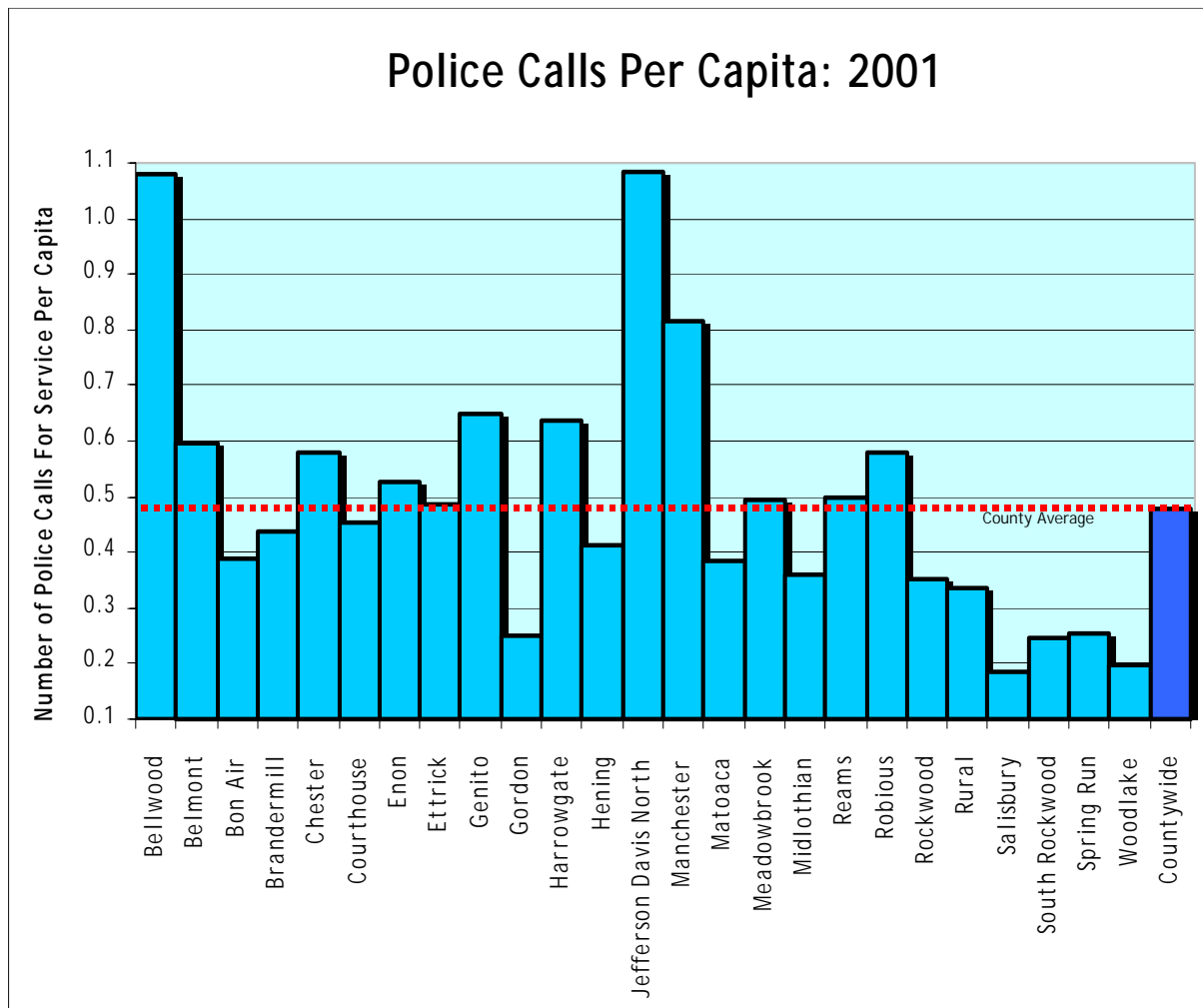


Public Safety

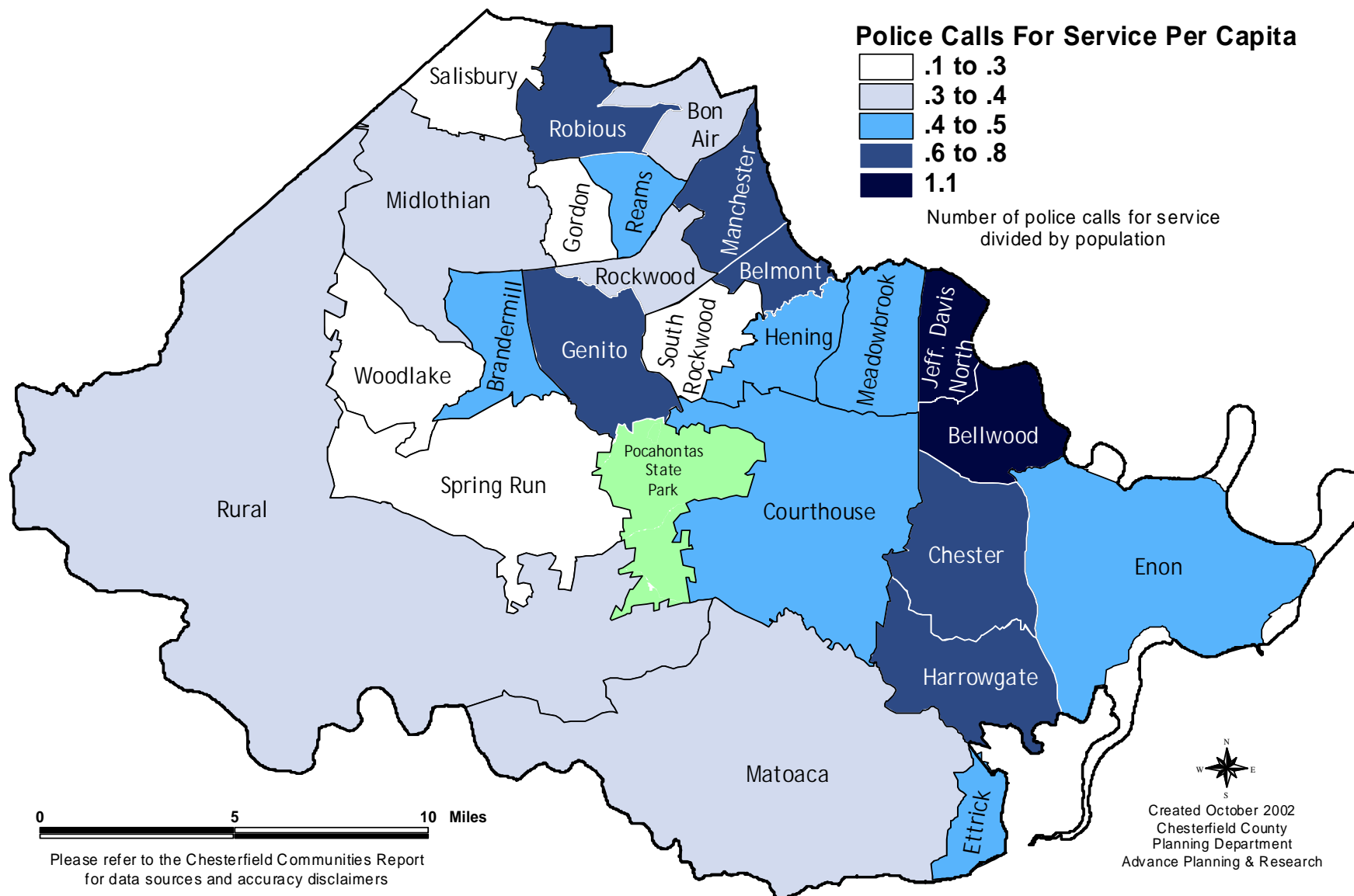
Safe communities are a strong value in Chesterfield County. At neighborhood and community meetings, issues regarding safety are a common topic. Chesterfield County is fortunate to have a low countywide crime rate and widespread citizen support for crime prevention activities.

POLICE CALLS FOR SERVICE

Police calls for service include every call that is made to the Police Department, including 911 hang-up calls. This indicator offers information about how often a community is using Police Department services, and, consequently, provides a basis for determining the cost of serving a community. In 2001, the countywide number of police calls for service was .48 calls per capita. Police calls for service are generally higher in areas with greater amounts of commercial development.



Police Calls For Service: 2001

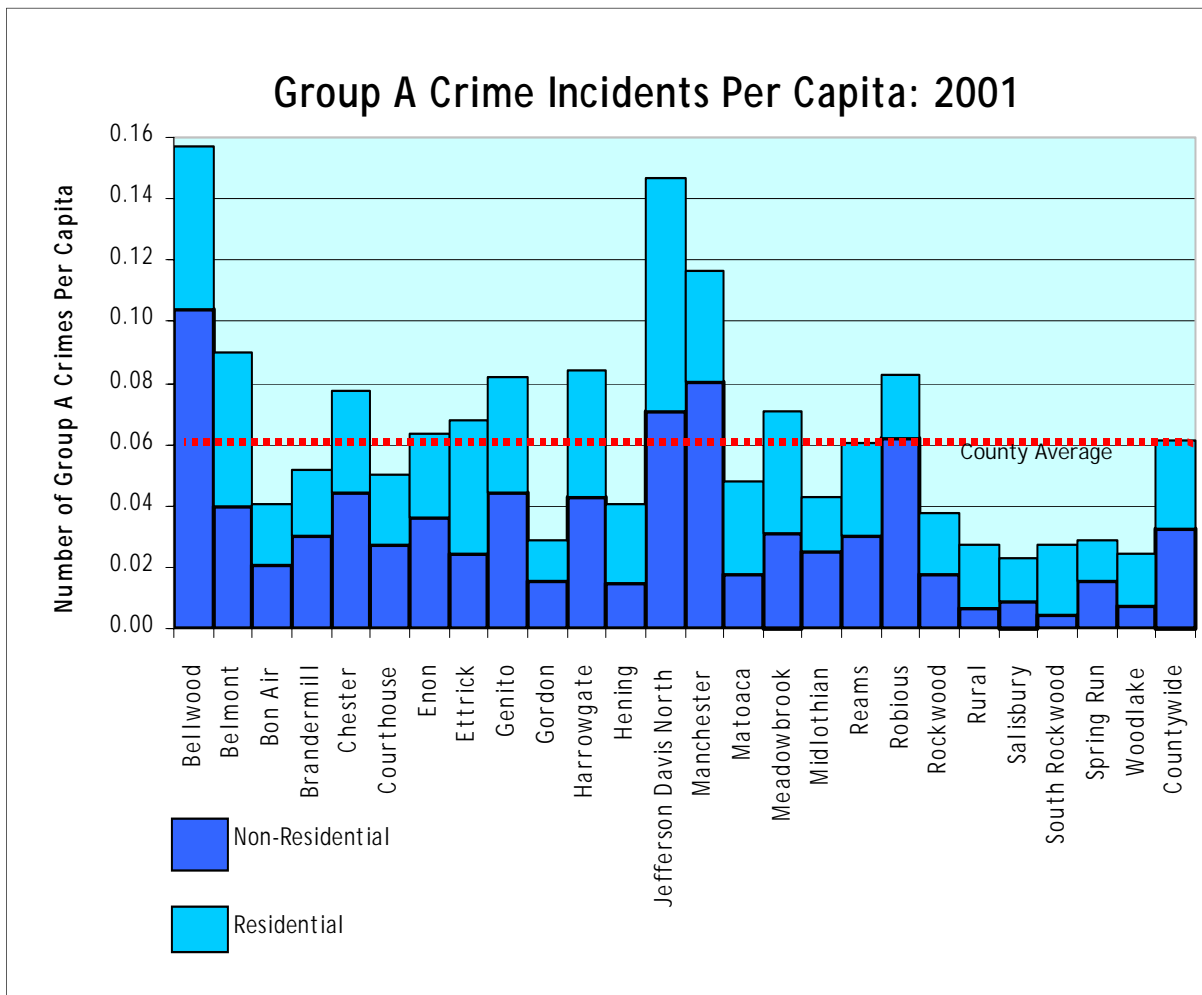


GROUP A CRIME INCIDENTS

Certain categories of crimes, known as “Group A” incidents, are tracked for crime analysis and trend data. This classification system is tied to the National Incident Based Response System (NIBRS)¹, and is used by the FBI and local law enforcement agencies nationwide (including Chesterfield County).

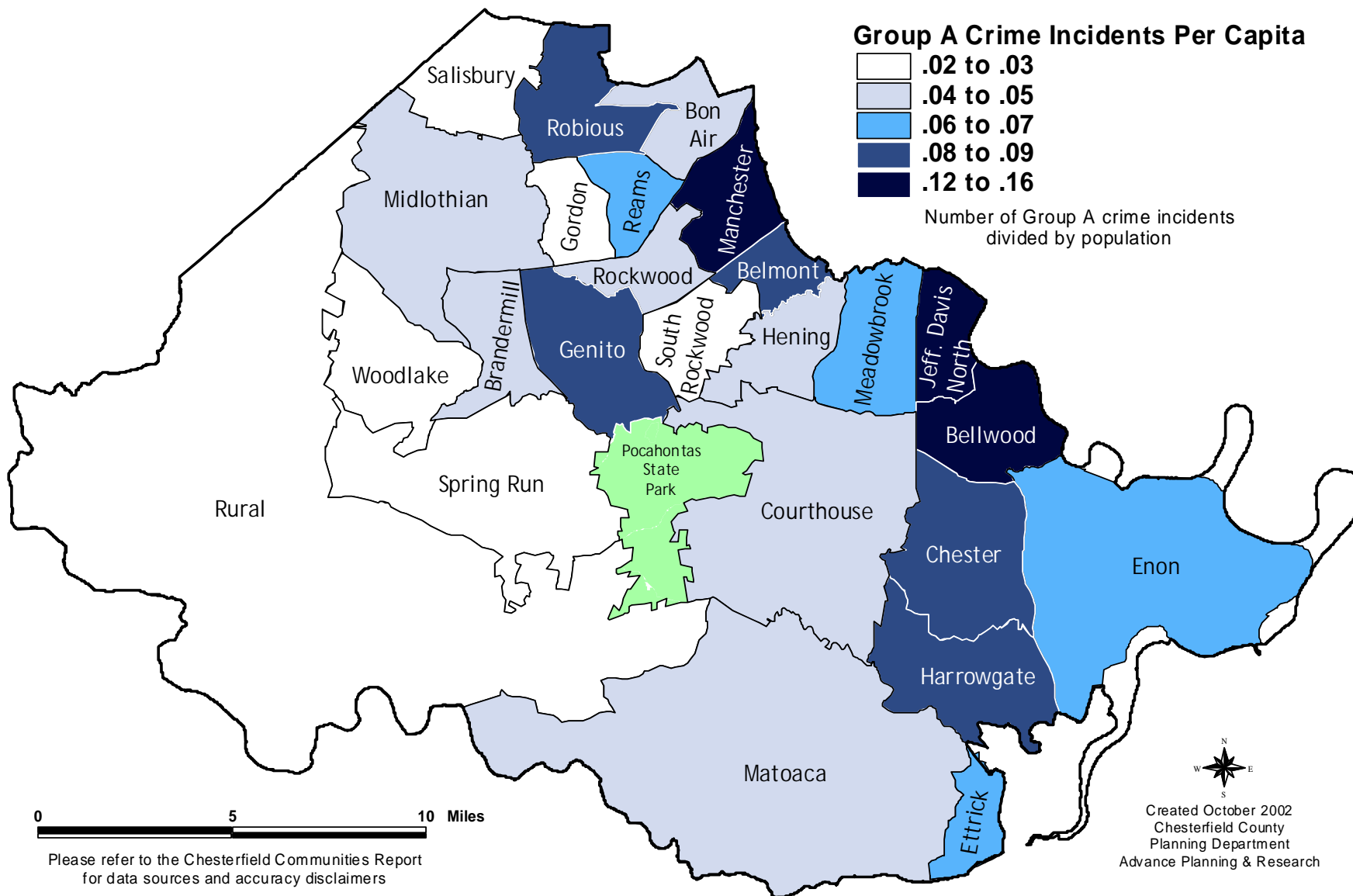
Group A crime incident rates provide a good overall measure of crime in each community. The 2001 countywide Group A crime rate was .061 incidents per capita. The rates were highest in Bellwood and Jefferson Davis North, and lowest in Salisbury and Woodlake. Group A rates decreased (compared to the year 2000) in Bon Air, Courthouse, Gordon, Harrowgate, Hening, Reams, and Spring Run.

¹ NIBRS is an incident-based reporting system through which data is collected for each single crime occurrence. Group A crime incidents include 46 specific crimes and offenses. These are broken down into three categories: violent, property, and quality of life crimes. Other “miscellaneous” crimes are counted within the Group A totals, but are not separately analyzed.



Note: Chart above shows all types of Group A crime incidents. The majority of Group A crime incidents in Bellwood, Manchester, and Robious occurred in commercial corridors, such as Jefferson Davis Highway, Route 360, and Route 60.

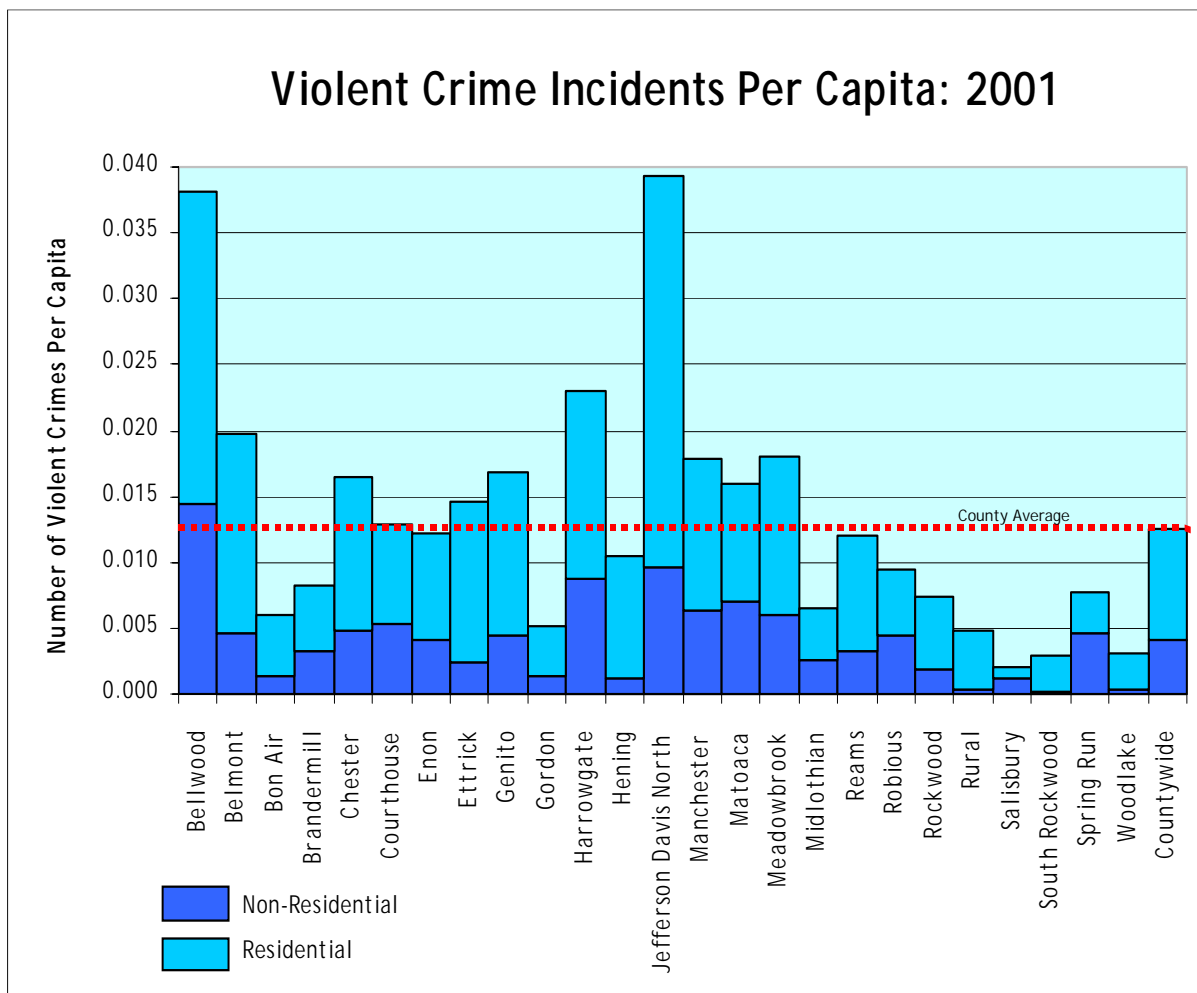
Group A Crime Incidents: 2001



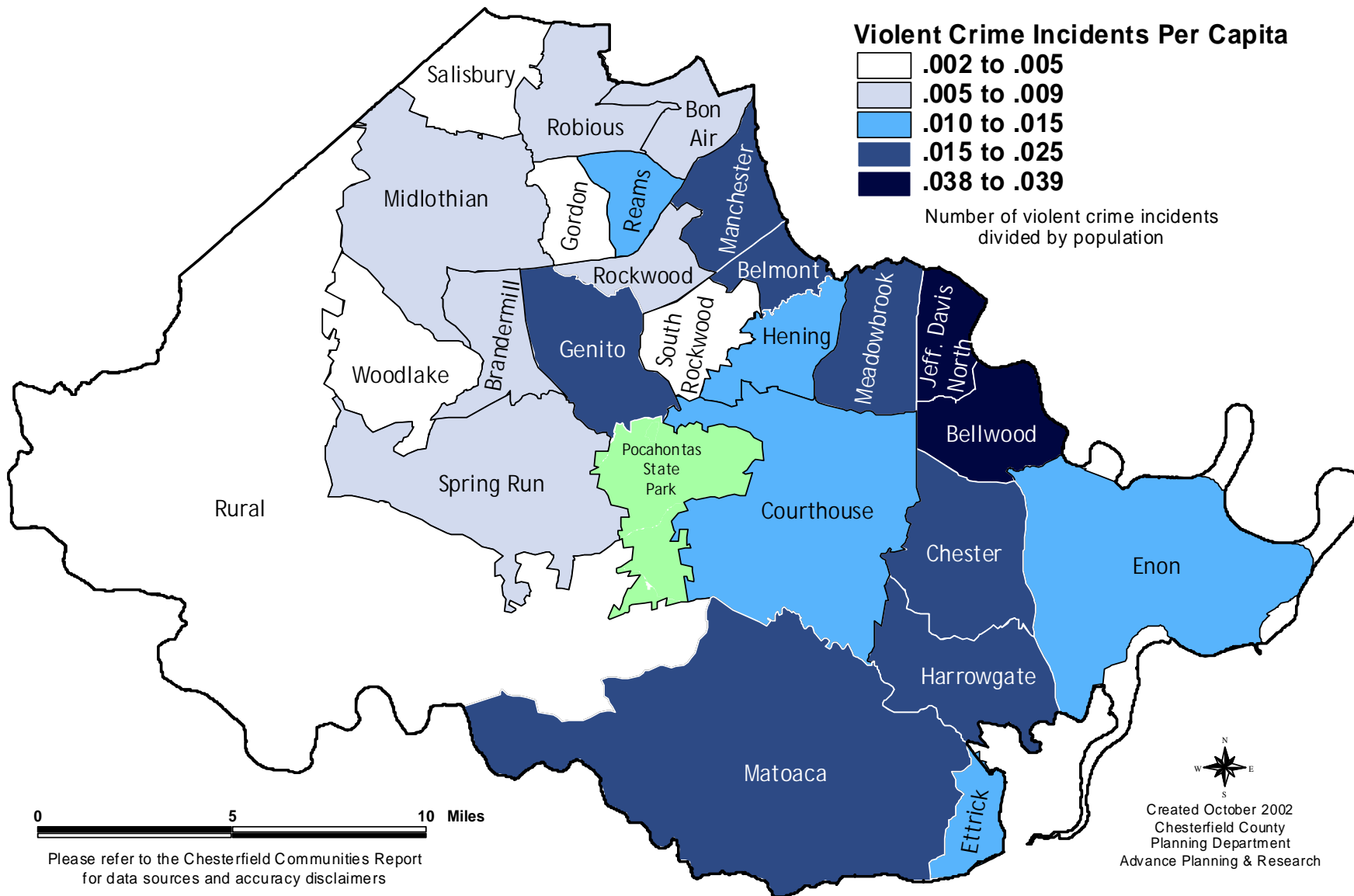
VIOLENT CRIME INCIDENTS

Violent crime incidents include assault, murder, kidnapping, abduction, rape, and sex offences. During 2001, the violent crime rate averaged .0126 incidents per capita countywide. The rate was highest in Bellwood and Jefferson Davis North, and lowest in South Rockwood and Salisbury.

The majority of violent crime incidents countywide in 2001 occurred in residential areas. Salisbury and Spring Run were exceptions to this rule – most violent crime in these two communities took place in commercial areas, not in residential areas. It should be noted, however, that these two communities had lower than average violent crime rates.



Violent Crime Incidents: 2001



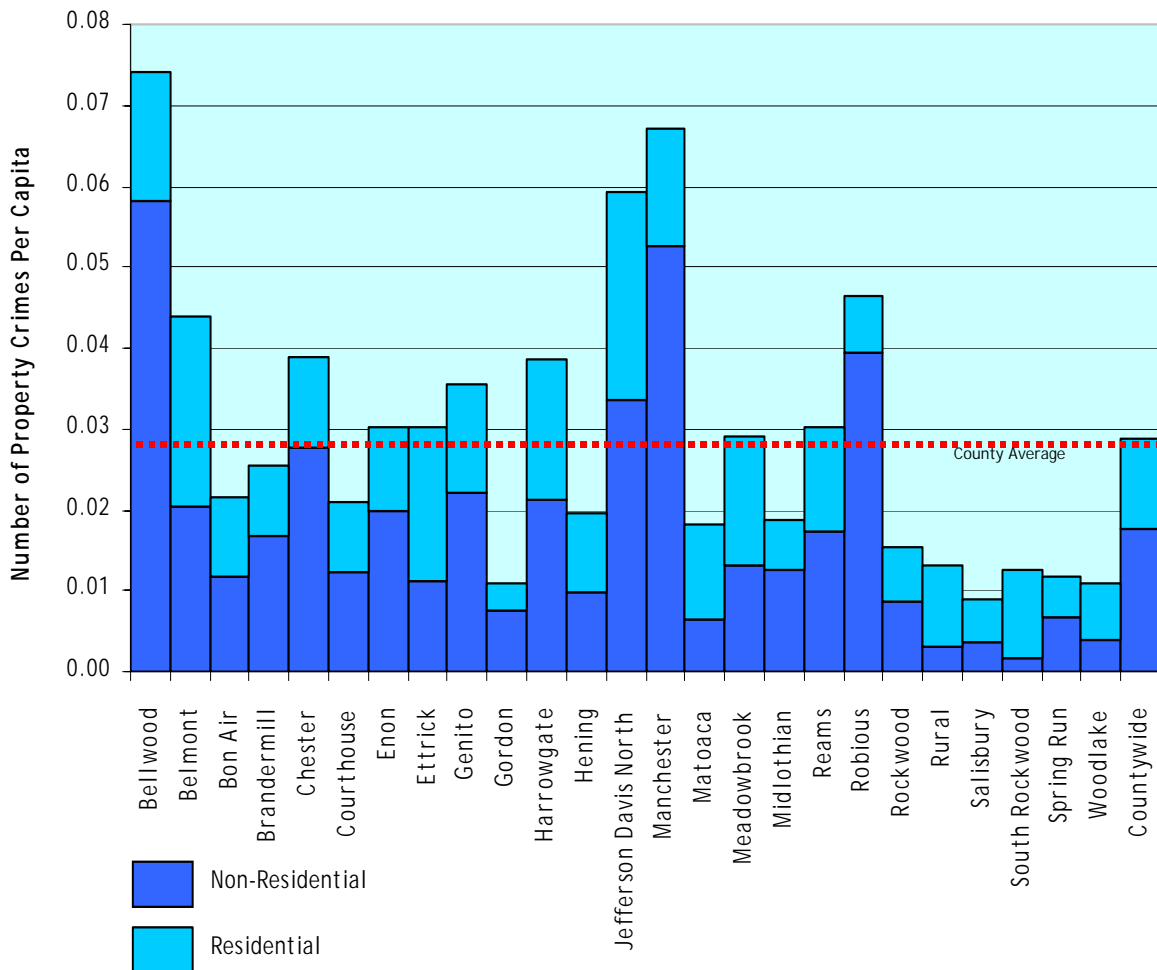


PROPERTY CRIME INCIDENTS

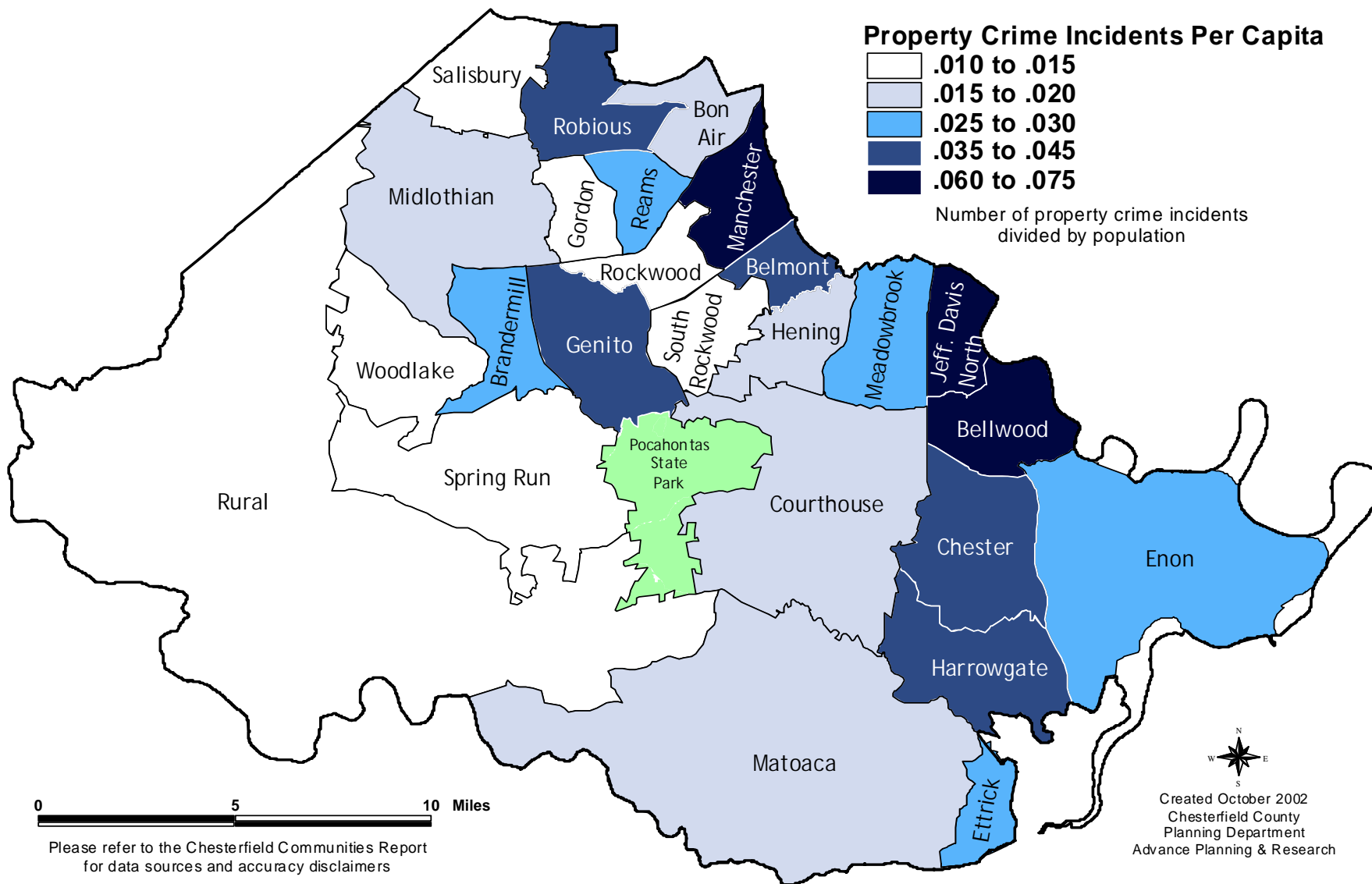
Property crime incidents include arson, burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, and robbery. During 2001, property crimes averaged .029 incidents per capita countywide. Per capita property crime rates were highest in Bellwood and Manchester, and lowest in Gordon and Salisbury.

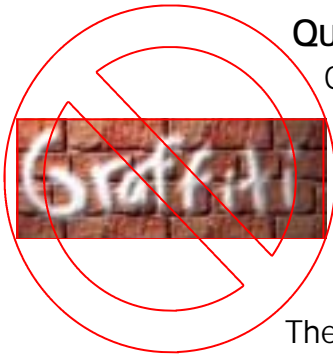
Slightly more than half of property crime incidents during 2001 occurred in commercial areas. Communities with large commercial areas, such as Bellwood, Manchester, and Robious tended to have significantly more property crime incidents, clustered in commercial areas. Predominately residential communities generally had lower property crime rates.

Property Crime Incidents Per Capita: 2001



Property Crime Incidents: 2001



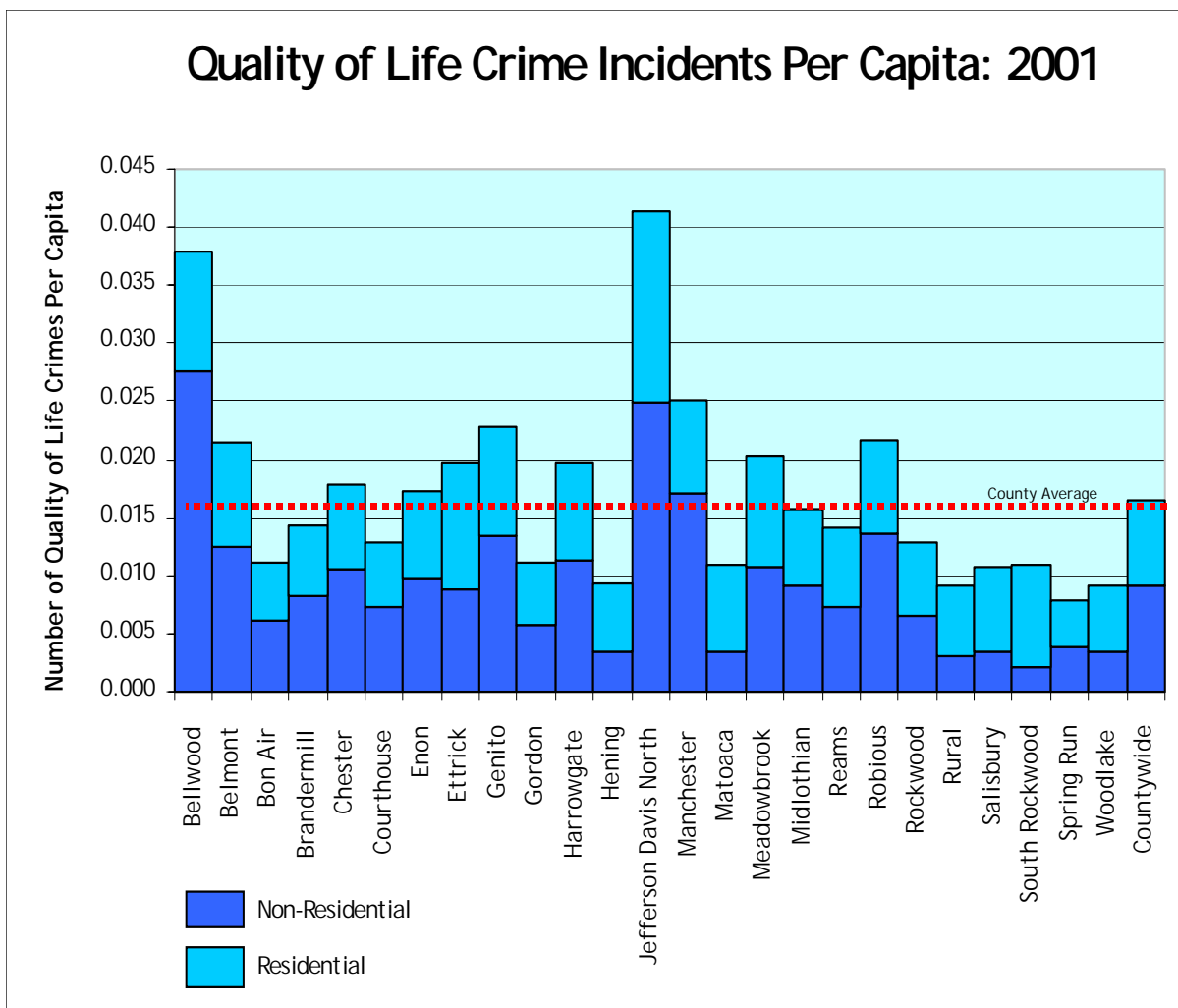


QUALITY OF LIFE CRIME INCIDENTS

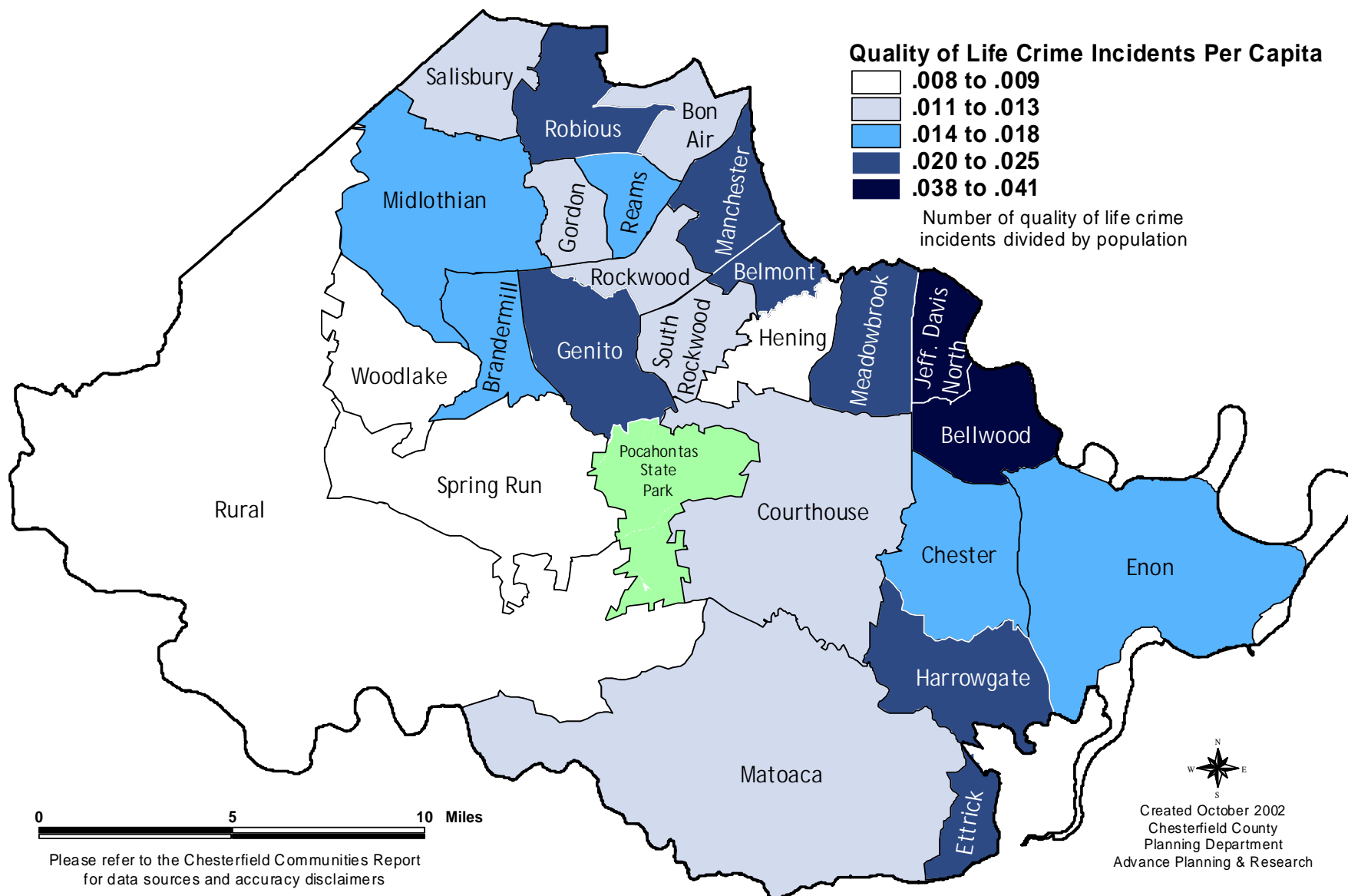
Quality of life crime incidents include bomb cases, narcotics and/or drug sale manufacturing or possession, distribution or sale of stolen property, prostitution, fraud, vandalism, and weapons violations. Vandalism was the most frequently occurring type of quality of life crime incident.

The countywide rate for quality of life crimes in 2001 was .0165 incidents per capita. The incident rate was highest in Bellwood and Jefferson Davis North, and lowest in the Rural and Spring Run communities.

More than half of quality of life crime incidents countywide occurred in commercial areas in 2001.



Quality of Life Crime Incidents: 2001



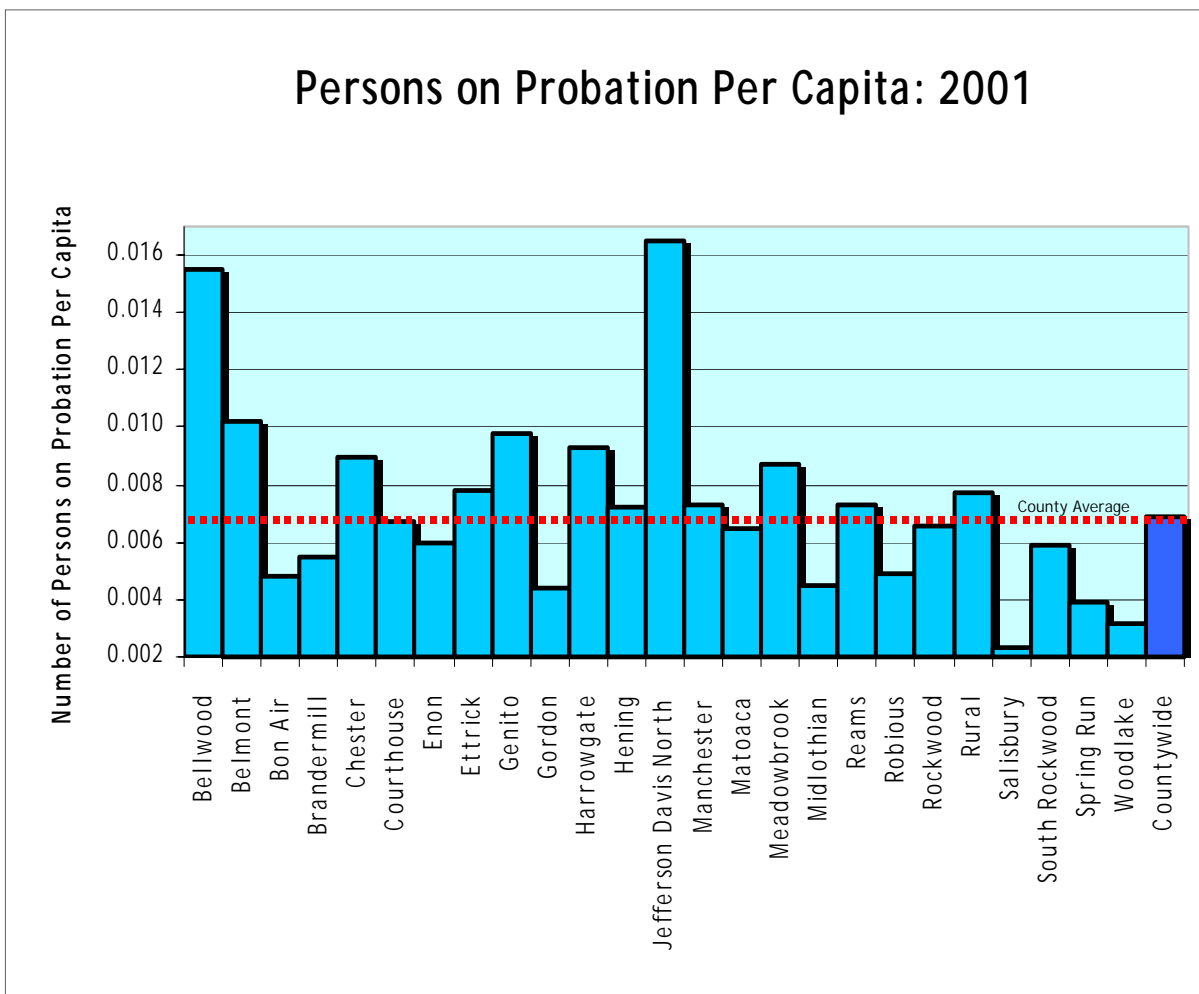
PERSONS ON PROBATION

Data related to juvenile offenders is obtained from the Juvenile Probation Department, and includes all juveniles on probation or parole in 2001. Adult offender information is obtained from the Community Corrections Department. It includes all adults on probation or parole through Chesterfield County.

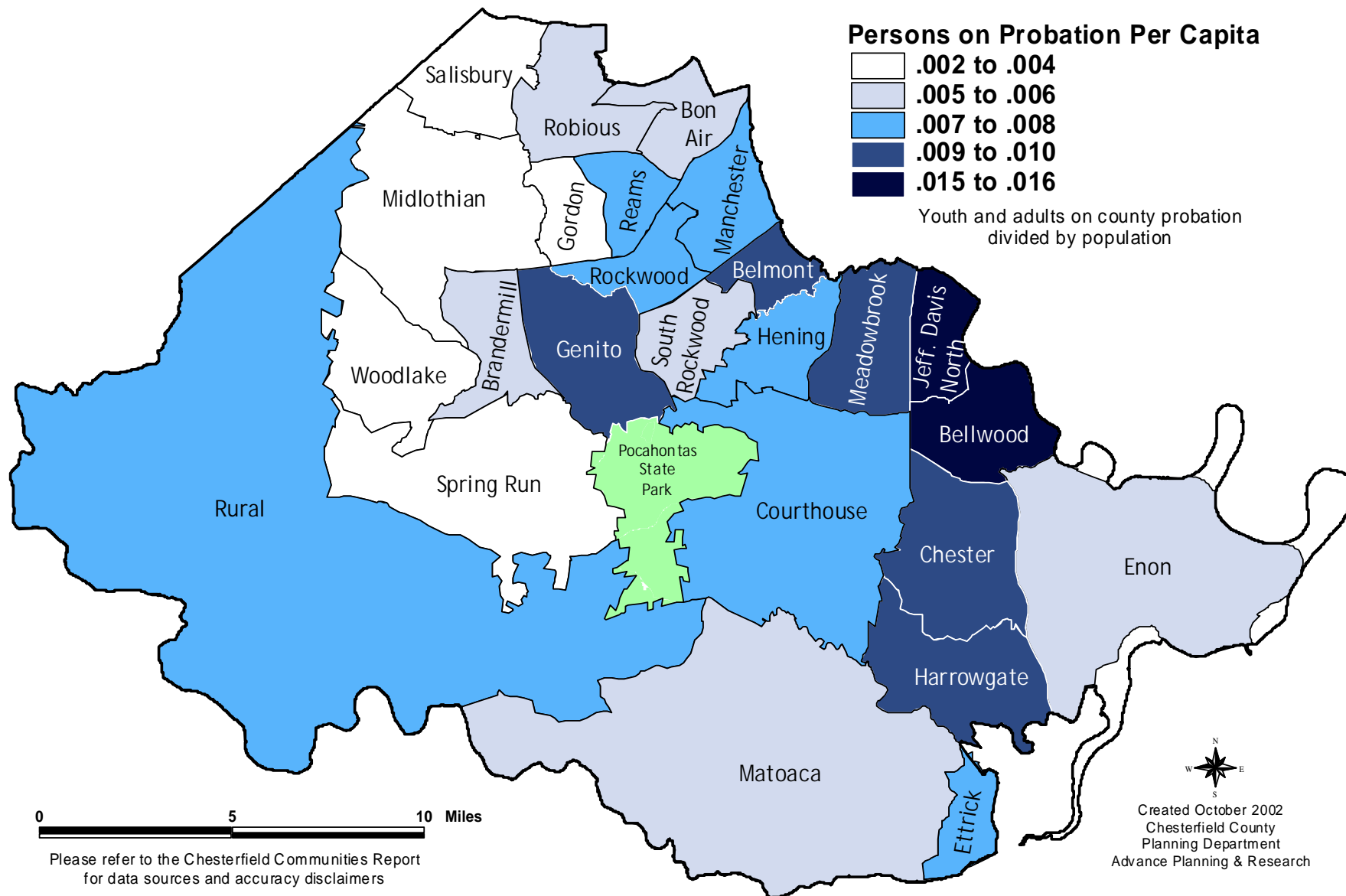
At this time, information is not available on the location of adult offenders that are part of the Virginia State or Federal systems. Therefore, this report examines only Chesterfield County parolees.

Due to the relative low numbers of offenders, the number of juvenile and adult offenders is combined for the purposes of this report.

The countywide average number of persons on probation in 2001 was .0069 per capita. The per capita number of persons on probation was highest in Bellwood and Jefferson Davis North, and lowest in Salisbury and Woodlake.



Persons on Probation: 2001



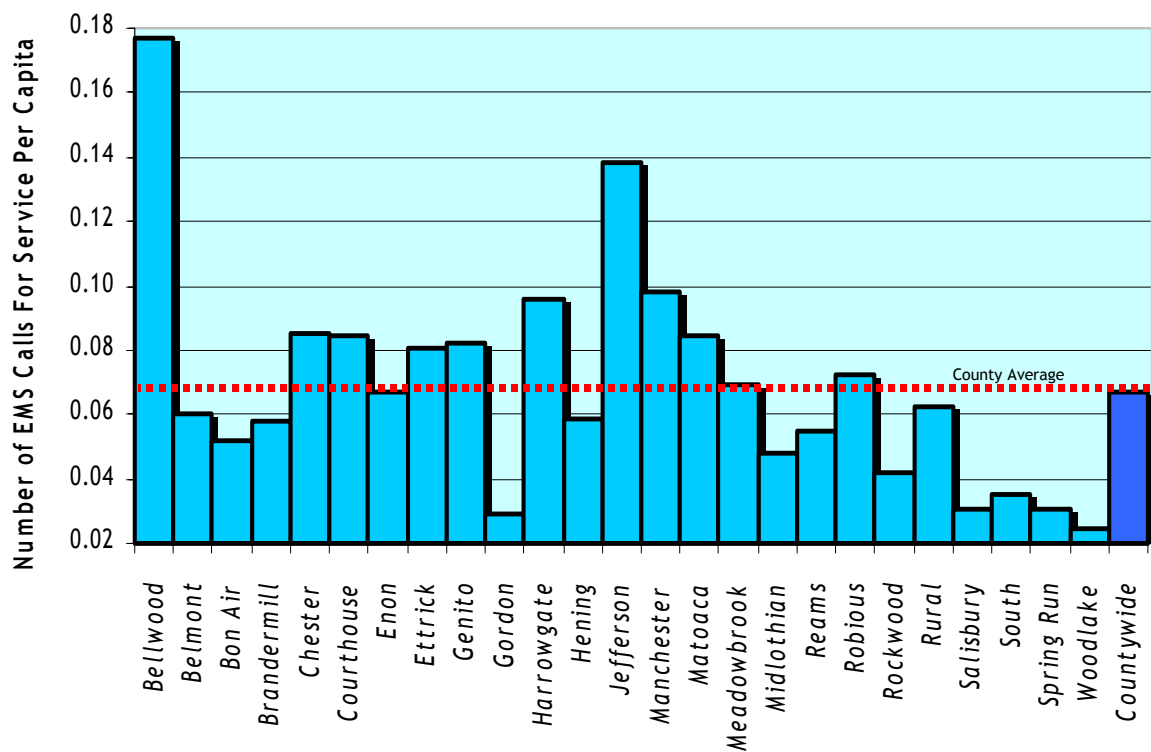


EMERGENCY MEDICAL CALLS FOR SERVICE

Emergency medical service (EMS) calls are tracked by the county Emergency Communications Center. EMS calls include calls answered by the volunteer rescue squads and the Fire Department.

The countywide EMS call for service rate was .067 calls per capita in 2001. EMS call rates were highest in Jefferson Davis North and Bellwood, and lowest in Gordon and Woodlake.

EMS Calls For Service Per Capita: 2001



Emergency Medical Calls For Service: 2001

